GRADE 2: EXPLANATION OF ACADEMIC CODE

4 Exceeds Standards	3 Meets Standards	2 Works Toward Standards	1 Performs Below Standards
Consistently expands	Consistently achieves	Meets some	Seldom meets
upon standards for	standards for grade	standards for grade	standards for grade
grade level	level	level	level
Applies higher level	Understands and applies knowledge, skills, vocabulary and strategies	Sometimes	Seldom understands
thinking to expand		understands and	and applies
knowledge, skills,		applies knowledge,	knowledge, skills,
vocabulary and		skills, vocabulary and	vocabulary and
strategies		strategies	strategies
Applies problem solving skills to new situations	Demonstrates problem solving skills	Sometimes demonstrates problem solving skills	Seldom demonstrates problem solving skills

GRADE 2: EXPLANATION OF STANDARDS

MATHEMATICS - The student will...

Problem Solving and Reasoning

- use appropriate and efficient strategies to solve problems
- explain one's thinking and describe a strategy that leads to a correct answer

Number Sense

- understand and use numbers as organized groups of tens and hundreds
- identify, count, write, group, and compare numbers through 999
- identify and write unit (e.g. ½, ¼) fractions

Number Sentences/Basic Facts

• estimate, solve and create addition and subtraction problems with numbers through 99

Measurement

• use objects and tools to measure and compare length, area, perimeter, weight, volume, time, temperature and money

Geometry

• identify, describe, sort and compare 2-D (e.g. circle, triangle) and 3-D geometric figures (e.g. cylinder, cone)

Patterns

recognize, describe, extend, create and translate (copy with different materials) patterns

Recording and Interpreting Data

- read, create and interpret simple graphs
- record and use information (data) to predict what might happen

Mental Math

- use efficient, flexible and accurate ways to mentally solve number problems
- recall basic addition and subtraction facts through 18

ORAL LANGUAGE - The student will...

- · expand listening and speaking vocabularies
- use more complex sentences to speak
- give and follow directions

READING - The student will...

Phonetic Principles

• use knowledge of word patterns, sounds and written print to decode, or read, words

Vocabulary

- understand and use unfamiliar words, including synonyms (e.g. big/large), and antonyms (e.g. big/little)
- use and apply vocabulary and context clues (e.g. grammar, surrounding text) to read unfamiliar words and determine their meanings

Comprehension

- use various strategies such as previewing, predicting, questioning, and rereading to make sense
 of written material
- use knowledge, skills and strategies to independently read and demonstrate understanding of written material

Fluency

- read aloud with expression, accuracy and comprehension
- · use expression and phrasing to convey meaning when reading aloud

WRITING - The student will...

Components of the Writing Process

- write daily and revise selected pieces
- participate in the writing process (prewriting, writing, revising, editing, publishing)
- focus on one topic when writing
- independently generate ideas for writing
- write stories with a beginning, middle and end

Communicates Ideas

- use descriptive words to elaborate on ideas when writing sentences
- write for a variety of purposes and audiences

Mechanics and Usage

- use correct capitalization and punctuation (mechanics) when writing and editing
- write in complete sentences with correct grammar (usage)
- use nouns and pronouns correctly

Spelling

 use correct spelling for high frequency sight words, compound words and vowel patterns when writing

SCIENCE - The student will...

Concepts, Facts, Principles and Vocabulary

• demonstrate an understanding of magnets, matter, plants, animals, weather, erosion, and plant products

Recording and Interpreting Scientific Data

• predict, collect and organize information (data), make observations, and explain the results and conclusions of simple experiments

SOCIAL STUDIES - The student will...

History

demonstrate an understanding of the contributions of ancient China and Egypt, compare the lives
of American Indians, and compare changes in community life

Geography

- locate features and places on a map
- study land, climate and plant life in specific regions
- use map skills to create simple maps

Economics

 learn about natural (water), capital (tools) and human (people at work) resources, barter, money and scarcity

Civics

• learn about Americans who improved the lives of others, explain the responsibilities of a good citizen, and understand how diverse people improve their community